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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1-3. (Cancelled)

4. (Currently Amended) A compound represented by formula (I') or a salt thereof:

$$R^4O$$
 R^3
 $NHCO-R^2$
 R^5
 R^6
 R^1
 X

wherein:

- (1) X represents a bromine atom; R^1 represents a substituted or unsubstituted C_{2-6} alkenyl, substituted or unsubstituted C_{2-6} alkynyl, a substituted or unsubstituted aromatic group, substituted or unsubstituted aralkyl, substituted or unsubstituted arylsulfonyl, substituted or unsubstituted C_{1-6} alkylsulfonyl, or hydroxyl; R^2 represents substituted or unsubstituted C_{1-21} alkyl; R^3 , R^5 and R^6 are the same or different and each represents a hydrogen atom or a halogen atom; and R^4 represents a hydrogen atom or substituted or unsubstituted C_{1-6} alkyl, or
- (2) X represents a bromine atom; R^1 represents a hydrogen atom; R^2 represents substituted or unsubstituted C_{2-21} alkyl; R^3 and R^5 are the same or different and each represents a halogen atom; R^6 represents a hydrogen atom or a halogen atom; and R^4 represents a hydrogen atom or substituted or unsubstituted C_{1-6} alkyl.
- 5. (Currently Amended) The compound represented by formula (I') according to claim 4 or a salt thereof, wherein R^1 represents substituted or unsubstituted C_{2-6} alkenyl, substituted or unsubstituted C_{2-6} alkenyl, a substituted or unsubstituted aromatic group, substituted or unsubstituted aralkyl, substituted or unsubstituted arylsulfonyl, or substituted or unsubstituted C_{1-6} alkylsulfonyl; R^2 represents methyl; R^3 , R^5 and R^6 are the

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same or different, and each represent a hydrogen atom or a bromine atom; and R⁴ represents methyl.

6. (Withdrawn) A pharmaceutical composition comprising, as an active ingredient, the compound according to claim 4 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

- 7. (Withdrawn) A method for treating or preventing osteoporosis comprising administering a therapeutically effective amount of the pharmaceutical composition according to claim 6 to a subject in need thereof.
- 8. (Withdrawn) A method for activating an osteoblast comprising administering a therapeutically effective amount of the pharmaceutical composition according to claim 6 to a subject in need thereof.
- 9. (Withdrawn) A method for suppressing an osteoclast comprising administering a therapeutically effective amount of the pharmaceutical composition according to claim 6 to a subject in need thereof.
- 10. (Withdrawn) A method for treating or preventing osteoporosis comprising administering a therapeutically effective amount of a compound represented by formula (I) or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof:

$$R^4O$$
 R^3
 $N+CO-R^2$
 R^5
 R^6
 R^1

wherein X represents a halogen atom; R^1 represents a hydrogen atom, substituted or unsubstituted C_{1-6} alkyl, substituted or unsubstituted C_{2-6} alkenyl, substituted or unsubstituted

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 C_{2-6} alkynyl, a substituted or unsubstituted aromatic group, substituted or unsubstituted aralkyl, substituted or unsubstituted acyl, substituted or unsubstituted arylsulfonyl, substituted or unsubstituted C_{1-6} alkylsulfonyl, or hydroxyl; R^2 represents substituted or unsubstituted C_{1-21} alkyl; R^3 , R^5 , and R^6 , which may be the same or different, each represent a hydrogen atom or a halogen atom; and R^4 represents a hydrogen atom or substituted or unsubstituted C_{1-6} alkyl, to a subject in need thereof.

- 11. (Withdrawn) A method for activating an osteoblast comprising administering an effective amount of the compound represented by formula (I) defined in claim 10 or a salt thereof.
- 12. (Withdrawn) A method for suppressing an osteoclast comprising administering an effective amount of the compound represented by formula (I) defined in claim 10 or a salt thereof.
- 13. (Previously Presented) The compound represented by formula (I') according to claim 4, wherein R³ and R⁵ each represents a halogen atom.
- 14. (**Previously Presented**) The compound represented by formula (I') according to claim 4, wherein X, R³ and R⁵ each represent a bromine atom.
- 15. (Currently Amended) The compound represented by formula (I') according to claim 4, wherein R^1 represents substituted or unsubstituted C_{2-6} alkenyl, substituted or unsubstituted C_{2-6} alkynyl, a substituted or unsubstituted aromatic group, substituted or unsubstituted aralkyl, substituted or unsubstituted or uns
- 16. (**Previously Presented**) The compound represented by formula (I') according to claim 4, wherein R^2 is the C_{2-21} alkyl and is selected from the group consisting of ethyl, propyl, isopropyl, butyl, isobutyl, sec-butyl, tert-butyl, pentyl, isopentyl, hexyl, heptyl, octyl, nonyl, decyl, undecyl, dodecyl, tridecyl, tetradecyl, pentadecyl, hexadecyl, heptadecyl, octadecyl,

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nonadecyl, icosyl, henicosyl, cyclopropyl, cyclobutyl, cyclopentyl and cyclohexyl.